Commission No. 446d

attention Mr. [illegible]

U. S. Secret Service

CHIEF (attention: Inspector Kelley) February 25, 1964

SAIC Hanly, Paris CO-2-34,030

Mrs. Marina Oswald

Reference is made to your O/M of February 12, 1964, directing that Mohamed Reggab be interviewed at Berlin concerning his alleged association with Mrs. Marina Oswald during the period January 1961 until May 1961.

On February 20, 1964, inquiry at the U.S. Mission, Berlin, disclosed that Reggab first came to the notice of the American Refugee Center on May 18, 1963. Reggab had arrived in April 1963 in Berlin with his wife at which time his wife was five months pregnant. A personal record was taken on Reggab at the Refugee Center which indicated he had previously resided in the Soviet Union. A copy of this personal record was obtained and is herewith attached.

Because of Reggab's prior residence in the Soviet Union, he was debriefed by an official agency at which time he indicated an active dislike for the Soviet way of life. Interviewers were in contact with Reggab shortly after November 27, 1963, when he volunteered information concerning his alleged association with Mrs. Marina Oswald in Moscow during the period January to May 1961. Reggab was interviewed a number of times on these points, as recently as February 1, 1964, when he was given a polygraph examination concerning his alleged association with Mrs. Oswald which indicated deception. The evaluation of this polygraph examination and the tapes were forwarded to the United States about February 3, 1964.

During his frequent contacts with official sources, Reggab indicated that he was burdened with a number of problems, some of them financial or in connection with his ambition for a scholarship, and at least in one instance he sought financial assistance. In the first week of February 1964, he informed his official contacts that he had received word from Casablanca that he had been awarded a full scholarship to study in Berlin, but that he had to return to Casablanca to complete the necessary arrangements. He stated he expected to return to Berlin about March 1, 1964. He planned to depart via railroad to Gibraltar and from there proceed to Tangier. He endeavored to obtain money to underwrite his living expenses and other costs above and beyond his railroad tickets which he had obtained from his family. This request was denied, and at no time was he given any money by any American source. Reggab's wife and child were returning with him to Casablanca.

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Prior to his departure, Reggab promised to obtain the letter and photograph of Mrs. Oswald which allegedly were with his possessions at his in-laws in Casablanca. He promised to bring these two items to Berlin when he returned about March 1, 1964.

I made inquiry at Nuernbergstrasse 19, West Berlin, on February 20, 1964, where Reggab had occupied a one-room apartment with his wife and baby. The janitor stated that Reggab had returned to Morocco about two weeks before and had said he was not returning to Berlin.

On February 21, 1964, I had a conversation with an official source who undertook to notify his headquarters, by priority cable, of our interest in this matter with the urgent request that the complete file on Reggab be made available to this service without delay. This will afford an opportunity of coordinating the efforts of the interested agencies, and the members of the President's Commission will be able to make an evaluation and determination if further efforts are desired to locate and interview Reggab on the specific points raised in Mr. Shaffer's memorandum of February 7, 1964.

Enclosed is a photograph of Reggab obtained from official sources in Berlin. Also enclosed is a copy of a newsclipping from the Berlin Tagesspiegel, of an unspecified date in August 1963, which discusses Reggab's hunger strike in Berlin because he was unable to obtain employment or scholarship support.

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Enclosures:
Personal Record
Photograph
Newsclipping